To: Directors, Exceptional Children Programs

Lead Administrators, Charter Schools

From: Sherry H. Thomas, Director OMT

**Exceptional Children Division** 

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RE: Announcing New Regional Coordinators

NC DPI Exceptional Children Division is pleased to announce the following recent hires to fill the following vacant Regional Coordinator Positions.

## Regional Coordinator for Charter Schools: Southwest, Northwest and West Regions

Lynn Metcalf joined our Exceptional Children Division Team from Henderson County where she served as the Exceptional Children Director for 4.5 years. Prior to this she had 20 years of experience in education, serving as an elementary principal, a high school assistant principal and athletic director. She began her career as a high school special education teacher, with 15 years in the classroom. She may be reached at: <a href="mailto:Lynn.Metcalf@dpi.nc.gov">Lynn.Metcalf@dpi.nc.gov</a> or 828-388-3061.

## Regional Coordinator for Charter Schools: Northeast, Southeast and Sandhills Regions

Michelle Hamm joined the Exceptional Children Division Team from Wayne County. She brings 26 years of experience in the education field to this position. Michelle began her career in Pitt County where she served as a special and general education teacher. In Wayne County Public Schools, she served students and families in the capacity of special education teacher, Instructional Consultation Team Facilitator, assistant principal, and Exceptional Children Director. She may be reached at: <a href="Michelle.Hamm@dpi.nc.gov">Michelle.Hamm@dpi.nc.gov</a> or 919-807-3252.

## Regional Coordinator: North Central and Sandhills Regions

Amy Betz joined the Exceptional Children Division Team from Wake County, where she most recently served in Special Education Services, as a Senior Administrator with the District Family Engagement Team. Previously, Amy served on the Auditing and Monitoring team with Wake County Schools. Amy also has experience as an assistant principal and special education teacher with Wake County. She may be reached at: <a href="mailto:Amy.Betz@dpi.nc.gov">Amy.Betz@dpi.nc.gov</a> or 919-807-3359.

Please join us in welcoming these experienced staff members to NC DPI and the Exceptional Children Division.